Immediate Economic Programme

2051 SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposals have been made in the new "Immediate Economic Programme" to benefit the rural poor, the Urban working people and for general relief to the people; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) There is no proposal for a separate new "Immediate Economic Programme".

(b) Does not arise.

Assessment of the effect of the introduction of Saturday as the Weekly Off

2052. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state.

(a) whether the job capacity, quality of work, quantum of disposal of the officers and production in establishments have increased; after introduction of Saturday as weekly off; if so, in what way; if not, what is Government's reaction thereto;

(b) whether Government are aware of the fact that there is a wide spread discontent on the introduction of two weekly holidays;

(c) whether Government inquired before introducing two weekly holidays as to which are the developing countries including China, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Indonesia and Pakistan having two weekly holidays; and

(d) whether Government propose to restore the old practice of one weekly off?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGENGTI): (a) While no formal assement of the 5-day-week system has been made, a quick study made by the Dept. of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievnaces in Feb., 1987 with reference to a few Ministries/Departments, did not indicate any fall in work output in terms of quantity or quality after introduction of the system.

The study did not go into the issue of increase in job capacity or production establishments.

(b) The 5-day week system was introduced in the Administrative offices in June, 1985 in consultation with the staff representatives under the Joint Consultative Machinery & Compulsory Arbitration There has so far been no complaint from any recognised Service association in this regard.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Violations of Indian Borders by Pak Troops

2053 SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of violation of Indian borders by Pak troops during the last two months; and

(b) whether any protests have been made to Pakistan in this regard and with regard to concentration of Pak troops on Indian border?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) There has been no violations of the international border or the Line of